

# MINUTES ART REVIEW BOARD MEETING OF OCTOBER 21, 2010

**CALL TO ORDER** Vice Chairperson Carol Lawton called the meeting to order at 1:30

p.m.

**ROLL CALL** 

**Present:** Vice Chairperson Carol Lawton, Board Member Beth Booth,

Board Member Jacline Deridder, Board Member Laurie Manuel

**Absent:** Chairperson Raymond Tong

**Staff Present:** Barbara Meerjans, Art Review Board Secretary and Senior Planner

Captain Frank Grugina, Police Department

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of minutes was continued to the next meeting by consensus.

#### **DISCLOSURES**

None

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

No items.

#### **PUBLIC/ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

None

#### PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

**ITEM 1. FREMONT POLICE BUILDING – 2000 STEVENSON BOULEVARD** – to

consider public art for Fremont Police Building including discussion of possible art locations and artist selection process.

Contact Person – Barbara Meerjans, (510) 494-4451, <a href="mailto:bmeerjans@ci.fremont.ca.us">bmeerjans@ci.fremont.ca.us</a>

The Board discussed previous actions by the Board to locate the public art on the west lawn grassy knoll at the front of the Police Building. The Board also discussed the Police Department's possible interest in a realistic statue and how to

balance that with more abstract art. The Board asked staff if it was possible to ask a specific artist for a proposal.

There were no public speakers on this item.

ON A MOTION BY BOARD MEMBER MANUEL, AND SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER DERIDDER, THE BOARD MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING:

CONFIRMED THE LOCATION OF THE PUBLIC ART TO BE ON THE NORTHWEST LAWN AREA AT THE FRONT OF THE POLICE BUILDING AS PREVIOUSLY APPROVED.

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 4 – Booth, Deridder, Lawton, Manuel

NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1 - Tong

ON A MOTION BY BOARD MEMBER BOOTH, AND SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER LAWTON, THE BOARD MOVED TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING:

STAFF WILL CONTACT THE ARTIST BRUCE BEASLEY TO ASSESS HIS INTEREST IN THE PROJECT. SHOULD MR. BEASLEY NOT BE INTERESTED, OTHER ARTISTS WOULD BE CONTACTED THROUGH A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP).

The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: 4 – Booth, Deridder, Lawton, Manuel

NOES: 0 ABSTAIN: 0

ABSENT: 1 - Tong

**ITEM 2. ART REVIEW BOARD OUTREACH** – Report the subcommittee discussion to enhance outreach and visibility for art in the community.

Contact Person – Barbara Meerjans, (510) 494-4451, bmeerjans@fremont.gov

There were no public speakers on this item.

The Board discussed the idea of a lecture series and possible different venues that might accommodate 50-100 people. Suggested venues included the Veterans Hall or the Niles Essanay Silent Film Museum.

No formal action was required of the Board.

#### MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Board Member Lawton asked that the topic of art in vacant storefronts/windows be put on a future agenda.

Board Member Lawton asked for an update on the Skateboard Park art.

The Board asked that a discussion of the starting time of future meetings be put on a future agenda. The Board is interested in starting the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Staff noted the next meeting would be in November.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

Barbara Meerjans, Secretary

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